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CABLEGRAM

URGENT

UNSUB, AKA [REDACTED] [REDACTED] EARTHA KITT DASH

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[REDACTED] NOT KNOWN IN PHILADELPHIA; AND NO RECORD OF HOSPITALIZATION OF ANY [REDACTED] AT TEMPLE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL WHERE ALLEGEDLY HOSPITALIZED. KITT, TWO ZERO INSTANT, CABLED BERNSTEIN QUOTE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE PATIENT NOT [REDACTED] WAS REQUESTED RECONFIRMATION OF EXPENSES TO [REDACTED]

WHO IS THIS. WOULD

EX LIKE FULL DESCRIPTION OF PATIENT. PLEASE REPLY. UNQUOTE.

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[redacted] 705 Commercial Trust Building, an attorney representing the subject, on October 25, 1960, advised that he first became acquainted with [redacted] about three or four months ago when she applied to him for a job. He said after interviewing her he concluded she was possibly mentally unbalanced and for this reason he refused to hire her. [redacted] subsequently called at his office on two or three occasions to ask for work and was last in his office around 3:30 p.m. on October 17 or 18, 1960. She remained in the office until about 4:00 p.m., when they both left together and boarded a bus together. Mr. [redacted] got off the bus at about 22nd and Venango Streets.

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Instant matter was discussed with Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] on October 25, 1960. [redacted] said since no demands had been made for money and no money had been sent to or received by the subject, the facts fail to establish a violation of any Federal statute and he would therefore decline prosecution.

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TO SACS PHILADELPHIA AND NEW YORK

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

MURDER: AKA, [REDACTED] EARTHA KITT - VICTIM, ITSP-FRAUD BY
HIRE. FOR INFORMATION OF PHILADELPHIA AND NEW YORK, LEGAT LONDON ADVISED EARTHA
KITT INTERVIEWED EVENING OCTOBER TWO ONE LAST AND RELATED FOLLOWING: AT NINE
THIRTY PM OCTOBER ONE EIGHT, KITT RECEIVED LONG DISTANCE CALL AT LONDON CLUB FROM DR.

[REDACTED] OF PHILADELPHIA. DOCTOR SAID SHE HAPPENED TO BE NEARBY WHEN
DISCREET WOMAN FOUND WHO HAD TAKEN THIRTY-SIX SLEEPING TABLETS AND A NARCOTIC.
CONSCIOUS, WOMAN SAID HER SISTER WAS EARTHA KITT. DOCTOR SAID SHE WAS FROM
NEW YORK AND DID NOT KNOW WHAT TO DO; SAID WOMAN HAD NO IDENTIFICATION AND INQUIRED
WHAT KITT WANTED DONE. KITT DID NOT KNOW IF THIS WAS SISTER, BUT CARE NEEDED
IMMEDIATELY. SHE GAVE DOCTOR TELEPHONE NUMBER OF [REDACTED], HER NEW YORK ACCOUNTANT.

KITT BELIEVES DOCTOR WAS NEGRO FROM MANNER OF SPEECH. KITT THEN CALLED [REDACTED] AND
RELATED ABOVE. INSTRUCTED [REDACTED] TO TRY AND LOCATE SISTER, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EVENING OF OCTOBER ONE NINE, CALL
RECEIVED BY KITT AT HOME OF LONDON FRIEND. CALLER IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS [REDACTED]
FROM PHILADELPHIA. SAID HAD BEEN CALLED IN ON CASE AND SISTER STILL IN COMA, WANTED

TO PUT HER IN DOCTOR'S HOSPITAL BUT WOULD NOT UNTIL KITT ASSUMED FINANCIAL RES-
PONSIBILITY. KITT, AS INTERVIEWED, SUBMIT FOLLOWING CABLE TO [REDACTED]

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"CONFIRMATION PAYMENT FOR PATIENT, [REDACTED]"

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DOCTOR'S CARE AND HOSPITAL TREATMENT." [] WAS NAME [] MENTIONED.

KITT ASSUMED SISTER MAY HAVE REMARRIED, NO CONTACT WITH HER IN TWO OR THREE YEARS. SAME EVENING COLLECT CALL RECEIVED FROM [] REPEATING STORY

GIVEN BY []. KITT TOLD DOCTOR ABOUT CABLE SENT AND FOR HER TO CALL []

IN NEW YORK. ON OCTOBER TWENTY, KITT SENT CABLE TO BRENSTEIN AS MENTIONED

[]. BRENSTEIN CALLED KITT OCTOBER TWENTY, SAID HAD SPOKEN WITH SISTER

[] WHO WAS ALRIGHT. ALSO, THAT ADDRESS IN PHILADELPHIA EXISTED BUT

[] NOT KNOWN THERE. KITT HAS ANOTHER SISTER [] WHO RESIDED IN

[] SHE HAS NOT HEARD FROM HER IN SEVERAL YEARS AND DOES NOT KNOW LAST

NAME. KITT DOES NOT RECALL ANY MENTION OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS IN TALK WITH

[] THAT ADVISES ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR KITT TO NOTIFY THIS OFFICE OF

ABOUT ANY MORE CALLS. SHE WILL NOT BE RETURNING UNITED STATES UNTIL JANUARY.

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URGENT 10-21-60 10-35 PM EDST ABC
TO DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK
NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON
FROM SAC, PHILADELPHIA 1P

UNSUB, AKA. [REDACTED] ETAL., EARTH KITT DASH VICTIM, ITSP,
RE NY TEL TO BU TWENTY FIRST INSTANT. INVESTIGATION, DOCTORS
HOSPITAL SEVENTEENTH AND SUMMER STREET, TEMPLE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
AND IVY HALL FAILED TO IDENTIFY SUBJECT. ALL CONVERSATIONS WITH
HOSPITAL STAFF HAVE BEEN BY TELEPHONE AND NUMBERS LEFT BY [REDACTED]
DETERMINED TO BE PAY TELEPHONES. [REDACTED] LAST CALLED DOCTORS HOSPITAL
OCT. TWENTY LAST STATING WOULD BRING PATIENT IN THAT DAY BUT FAILED
DO SO. EFFORTS BEING MADE TO TRACE PHONE CALL MADE TO VICTIM BY [REDACTED]
ON TEN EIGHTEEN SIXTY. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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URGENT 10-21-60 12-59 AM RR

TO DIRECTOR, FBI 2 AND SACS, PHILADELPHIA AND NEWARK

FROM SAC, NEW YORK 3P

UNSUB, AKA, [REDACTED] ^{Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property - Fraud by Wire}
EARTHA KITT - VICTIM, ITSP, FDW. ON TWENTIETH INSTANT

MAHUM A. BERNSTEIN, ATTORNEY FOR EARTHA KITT, SINGER, ADVISED
AS FOLLOWS, KITT, PRESENTLY IN LONDON ON TOUR, RECEIVED
PHONE CALL OCT. EIGHTEEN FROM [REDACTED] FEMALE,
FROM PHILA. THAT KITT-S SISTER, [REDACTED] VERY ILL,

THAT THERE WAS PROBLEM OF EXPENSES, AND THEY HAD TO GET HER
INTO TEMPLE U. HOSPITAL. SAID EXPENSES ALREADY EXCEEDED
FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND WOULD CONTINUE. KITT REFERRED
CALLER TO [REDACTED] HER NYC ACCOUNTANT. ON OCT.

NINETEEN [REDACTED] CALLED [REDACTED] AND

GAVE HER ADDRESS AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID SHE

PRACTICES MEDICINE IN COLO., WAS IN PHILA. ON VACATION, AND
MANAGEMENT OF APT. ON PRECEDING NIGHT HAD CALLED HER TO TREAT

SOMEONE VERY ILL. SAID THIS WAS [REDACTED] KITT-85943-4

WHO HAD TAKEN THIRTY SIX SLEEPING PILLS, THAT EXPENSES ALREADY
OVER FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND WAS GOING TO ENTER HER IN TEMPLE

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U. HOSPITAL. [] SAID WOULD HAVE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS
AND TO CALL BACK THAT EVENING BUT UNSUB FAILED TO CALL. BERNSTEIN
TRACED ABOVE LOCUST NUMBER TO PUBLIC PHONE BOOTH IN PHILA.
LIBRARY. ALSO DETERMINED NO DOCTOR THAT NAME PRACTICING IN
COLO. OR PA. ALSO DETERMINED TEMPLE U. HAS NO RECORD DOCTOR
[] OR PATIENT [] ALSO NO PHONE FOR
ABOVE BROAD ST. ADDRESS. BERNSTEIN LOCATED []
[] BUT [] UNKNOWN.

Received
BERNSTEIN RECD CABLE ONE THIRTY PM TWENTYIETH INSTANT
FROM KITT ~~QUOTE~~ HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE PATIENT NOT SISTER. WAS
REQUESTED CONFIRMATION OF EXPENSES TO []

[] WHO IS THIS. WOULD LIKE FULL DESCRIPTION
OF PATIENT. PLEASE REPLY ~~UNQUOTE~~. BERNSTEIN DETERMINED KITT-S
SISTER. [] RESIDES []

[] BERNSTEIN CALLED []
WHO SAID SHE IS FINE AND [] UNKNOWN TO
HER. SAID SHE AND KITT HAVE SISTER, [] LAST KNOWN
TO BE IN [] BUT HAS NOT BEEN IN CONTACT WITH [] EARTHA
QUITE A WHILE. SAID [] MARRIED NAME AND ADDRESS UNKNOWN,
BUT SHE HAS NEVER BEEN KNOWN AS []. BERNSTEIN WIRED

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[] ADDRESS AT FIVE PM TWENTYIETH INSTANT SUGGESTING
SHE CALL HIM TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR PAYMENT FOR []
EXPENSES. BERNSTEIN SAYS WILL STALL UNSUB UNTIL
OCT. TWENTYONE IF SHE CALLS. BERNSTEIN IS LAW PARTNER OF []
[] BROOKLYN, WHO CONTACTED SAC, NYO, RE
THIS MATTER. KITT PERFORMING AT ~~SHORT~~ "TALK OF THE TOWN" ~~HOUSE~~,
LONDON, AND RESIDING THREE FOUR BELGRADE SQUARE, SW ONE, LONDON,
PHONE BELGRAVIA SEVEN SEVEN ONE NINE. BERNSTEIN REQUESTS SHE
BE CONTACTED SUBSEQUENT TO ELEVEN AM LONDON TIME. BUREAU
REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW KITT FOR FULL DETAILS THROUGH LEGAT.
NK INTERVIEW [] ^{Philadelphia} BY LOCATE [] AT []
[] AND INTERVIEW TO DEVELOP ^{Fraud by Wire} FBI VIOL. NY WILL MAINTAIN LIAISON
WITH BERNSTEIN AND KEEP BUREAU AND PH ADVISED.
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URGENT 10-21-60 2-55 PM JOR
TO DIRECTOR, FBI 5 AND PHILADELPHIA
FROM SAC, NEW YORK /87-NEW/ 2 PGS.
UNSUB, AKA [REDACTED] ETAL., EARTHA KITT DASH VICTIM,
ITSP, FBW, OO PH. RMYTEL TWENTY FIRST INSTANT. [REDACTED]
BERNSTEIN RECEIVED COLLECT CALL THIS AM FROM [REDACTED]
ADMINISTRATOR, DOCTORS HOSPITAL, PH, WHO SAID RECEIVED CALL
OCTOBER NINETEEN FROM [REDACTED] WHO SAID VICTIM-S SISTER,
[REDACTED], VERY ILL. [REDACTED] SAID THEY WANTED NO PUBLICITY
AND WOULD KEEP PATIENT IN DOCTORS HOSPITAL UNTIL OTHER ARRANGEMENTS
COULD BE MADE. [REDACTED] TOLD CALLER PATIENT WOULD HAVE TO BE
ADMITTED BY DR. ASSIGNED TO HOSPITAL SO [REDACTED] CONTACTED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THEN CALLED VICTIM OCTOBER NINETEEN TO CONFIRM
VICTIM WOULD PAY EXPENSES. ON OCTOBER TWENTY [REDACTED] CALLED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND SAID WOULD BRING IN PATIENT, HOWEVER, NEITHER [REDACTED] NOR
PATIENT ARRIVED. ON SAME DAY [REDACTED] RECEIVED CABLE FROM VICTIM
DATED OCTOBER EIGHTEEN FROM LONDON QUOTE CONFIRMATION PAYMENT
HOSPITAL CARE AND DOCTOR-S TREATMENT FOR PATIENT [REDACTED] UNQUOTE.
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CABLE SIGNED EARTHA KITT. BERNSTEIN STATES DOESN-T BELIEVE THIS
CABLE SENT BY KITT. BUREAU THROUGH LEGAT, LONDON REQUESTED TO
INTERVIEW KITT AND DETERMINE WHETHER CABLE SENT BY HER. PH
INTERVIEW AT DOCTORS HOSPITAL AND CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO
IDENTIFY AND LOCATE UNSUB. NEWARK ADVISED BY MAIL.

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CABLEGRAM

TO: LEGAL ATTACHE LONDON

FROM: DIRECTOR FBI

SUBJECT: MURDER OF MARTHA KITT - VICTIM,

RE: FRANK BY WIRE. RE LEGAT CABLE OCTOBER 22 LAST. ARRANGE TO
OBTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY RECORD BY TELEPHONE COMPANY
OF CALLS SET OUT IN RECALL. AVOID ANY POSSIBILITY LEGAT TESTIFYING

PHILADELPHIA (BY MAIL)
NEW YORK (BY MAIL)

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Messages are sent over State Department leased-line circuit to Paris,
then on to London. No charges. Open 24 hours. Cable being used in
view prominence of victim and importance of case.

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URGENT 10-16-60 12-02 PM EDST BAH
TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW YORK
FROM SAC, PHILADELPHIA /87-7551/ 2P

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Parsons ✓
Mr. Belmont ✓
Mr. Callahan ✓
Mr. DeLoach ✓
Mr. Malone ✓
Mr. McGuire ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Tamm ✓
Mr. Trotter ✓
Mr. W.C. Sullivan ✓
Tele. Room ✓
Mr. Ingram ✓
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CHANGED- [REDACTED] EARTHA KITT - VICTIM. ITSP FBW.
REBUTEL TO PH OCTOBER TWENTYTWO CAPTIONED UNSUB, AKA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ET AL, EARTHA KITT - VICTIM. SUBJECT, NEGRO FEMALE, THREE
FOUR THREE EIGHT NORTH TWENTY STREET, PHILADELPHIA, BORN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADMITTED MAKING INSTANT CALLS TO
VICTIM AND VICTIMS ACCOUNTANT NYC. CLAIMS VAGUE RECOLLECTION MAKING
CALLS TO DOCTORS HOSPITAL. DOES NOT RECALL WHAT WAS SAID. COULD NOT
RECALL USING NAME [REDACTED] OR GIVING PATIENTS NAME AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DENIES INTENT TO DEFRAUD AND COULD OFFER NO REASON FOR
CALLS. [REDACTED] ATTORNEY, STATES SUBJECT APPLIED TO HIM FOR
JOB, HE REFUSED TO HIRE BECAUSE HIS BELIEF SHE IS MENTALLY UNBALANCED.

WITNESSES LOCATED AT TWO PAY TELEPHONES USED BY SUBJECT DEFINITELY
IDENTIFIED HER AS BEING IN BOOTHS WHEN CALLS MADE. [REDACTED] REMAINED

ONE BOOTH FOR ABOUT ONE HOUR WAITING FOR CALL AND TOLD WITNESS SHE

PLACED CALL TO LONDON TO CELEBRITY. SHE LEFT AND INSTRUCTED WITNESS
TO TELL OPERATOR WHEN CALL CAME THAT SHE COULD NOT WAIT AND TO INFORM
PARTY IN LONDON PATIENT PLACED IN PRIVATE HOSPITAL. [REDACTED] CLAIMS

CORR LINE ONE WD FOUR SHLD BE [REDACTED]

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AND COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NYC. FORMERLY WORKED LOCAL HOSPITAL AS LAB
ASSISTANT. STATES CURRENTLY PART TIME EVANGELIST AND SPENDS MOST OF
TIME IN CHURCH OR IN PRAYER AND MEDITATION. AUSA, EDPA., DECLINED
PROSECUTION STATING FACTS FAILED TO ESTABLISH VIOLATION. NO FURTHER
INVESTIGATION. REPORT BEING SUBMITTED.

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the Kitt, singer, presently in London on tour, reportedly received phone call October 18, 1960, from [redacted] female, in Philadelphia that Kitt's sister [redacted] very ill, that there was the problem of expenses, said expenses already exceeded \$500 and would continue. Investigation by Kitt's attorney disclosed that her sister [redacted] not ill and [redacted] unknown in Philadelphia. 87-55943-8
 She was interviewed by Legal Attache, London, re call which may be possible attempt to defraud by wire.

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FROM LEGAT, LONDON NO. 126

UNKNOWN SUBJECT also known as [redacted] EARTHA KITT - VICTIM, ITSP-FRAUD BY WIRE. REBUCAB OCTOBER 20 LAST. EARTHA KITT INTERVIEWED EVENING OCTOBER 21, RELATED FOLLOWING: AT 9:30 PM OCTOBER 18, KITT RECEIVED LONG DISTANCE CALL AT LONDON CLUB FROM [redacted] OF PHILADELPHIA. DOCTOR SAID SHE HAPPENED TO BE NEARBY WHEN UNCONSCIOUS WOMAN FOUND WHO HAD TAKEN 36 SLEEPING TABLETS AND A NARCOTIC. WHEN CONSCIOUS, WOMAN SAID HER SISTER WAS EARTHA KITT. DOCTOR SAID SHE WAS FROM NEW YORK AND DID NOT KNOW WHAT TO DO; SAID WOMAN HAD NO IDENTIFICATION AND INQUIRED WHAT KITT WANTED DONE. KITT DID NOT KNOW IF THIS WAS SISTER, BUT CARE NEEDED IMMEDIATELY. SHE GAVE DOCTOR TELEPHONE NUMBER OF [redacted] HER NEW YORK ACCOUNTANT. KITT BELIEVES DOCTOR WAS NEGRO FROM MANNER OF SPEECH. KITT THEN CALLED [redacted] AND RELATED ABOVE. INSTRUCTED [redacted] TO TRY AND LOCATE SISTER. [redacted] EVENING OF OCTOBER 19, CALL RECEIVED BY KITT AT HOME OF LONDON FRIEND. CALLER IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS [redacted] FROM PHILADELPHIA. SAID HAD BEEN CALLED IN ON CASE AND SISTER STILL IN COMA, WANTED TO PUT HER IN DOCTOR'S HOSPITAL BUT WOULD NOT UNTIL KITT ASSUMED FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. KITT, AS INSTRUCTED, SENT FOLLOWING CABLE TO [redacted] "CONFIRMATION PAYMENT FOR PATIENT, [redacted] DOCTOR'S CARE AND HOSPITAL TREATMENT: [redacted] WAS NAME [redacted] MENTIONED. KITT ASSUMED SISTER MAY HAVE REMARRIED, NO CONTACT

ORIG: MR. PARSONS FOR DIRECTOR REC-91
 CC: MR. ROSEN
 CC: MR. L'ALLIER

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WITH HER IN TWO OR THREE YEARS. SAME EVENING COLLECT CALL RECEIVED FROM [] REPEATING STORY GIVEN BY [] KITT TOLD DOCTOR ABOUT CABLE SENT AND FOR HER TO CALL [] IN NEW YORK. ON OCTOBER 20, KITT SENT CABLE TO BERNSTEIN AS MENTIONED IN REBUCAB. BERNSTEIN CALLED KITT OCTOBER 20, SAID HAD SPOKEN WITH SISTER IN [] WHO WAS ALRIGHT. ALSO, THAT ADDRESS IN PHILADELPHIA EXISTED BUT [] NOT KNOWN THERE. KITT HAS ANOTHER SISTER, [] WHO RESIDED IN PHILADELPHIA. SHE HAS NOT HEARD FROM HER IN SEVERAL YEARS AND DOES NOT KNOW LAST NAME. KITT DOES NOT RECALL ANY MENTION OF \$500 IN TALK WITH [] ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR KITT TO NOTIFY THIS OFFICE OF RECEIPT ANY MORE CALLS. SHE WILL NOT BE RETURNING UNITED STATES UNTIL JANUARY. IF BUREAU DESIRES, INQUIRY CAN BE MADE HERE RE ANY RECORD AT TELEPHONE COMPANY OF ABOVE CALLS.

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Date: 10/28/60

Transmit the following in Plain Text
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: Director, FBI
 FROM: SAC, Philadelphia (87-7551)
 SUBJECT: [redacted] aka
EARTHAKITT - VICTIM
ITSP - FEM
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Re Bureau cablegram to Legat, London, 10/24/60,
 captioned "UNSUB; aka, [redacted]
 EARTHAKITT - VICTIM," and Philadelphia teletype to Bureau
 10/26/60.

In view admission subject [redacted] that she made
 call to victim and since prosecution declined, it is
 suggested Bureau might desire to request Legat, London,
 to discontinue lead set forth in referenced cablegram.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office NEW YORK	Office of Origin PHILADELPHIA	Date 11/4/60	Investigative Period 10/20-10/25/60
TITLE OF CASE KITT - VICTIM		Report made by DEAN P. HATFIELD	Typed By: pg
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITSP, FEW	

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REFERENCES:

New York teletypes to Bureau, 10/21/60.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

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Report of:

DEAN P. HATFIELD

Office: New York, New York

Date:

11/4/60

Field Office File No.:

NY 87-20357

Bureau File No.:

Title:

[REDACTED]
EARTHA KITT - VICTIMb6
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Character:

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF
STOLEN PROPERTY, FRAUD BY WIRE

Synopsis:

Information received NYC that unknown female, representing self as [REDACTED] telephonically advised EARTHA KITT, entertainer, appearing in London, England, that KITT's sister was very ill in Philadelphia and that money would be needed to pay expenses. KITT's NYC attorney advised by KITT doubtful patient actually sister. Investigation NYC reflected no one by name of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] licensed to practice medicine in NY.

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DETAILS:

On October 20, 1960, EDWARD S. SILVER, District Attorney, Kings County, 400 Municipal Building, Brooklyn, New York, telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge HARVEY G. FOSTER, that his law partner, NAHUMA BERNSTEIN, of New York, represents Miss EARTHA KITT, the entertainer. He said that BERNSTEIN has received information from Miss KITT, now in London, England, which would indicate that an unknown individual is attempting to swindle her by advising her telephonically that her sister is ill in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and that money is needed to pay her expenses.

SILVER said that all pertinent details may be obtained from BERNSTEIN.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 10/26/60b6
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NAHUM A. BERNSTEIN, Attorney, Rye, New York,
advised as follows:

He is an attorney representing EARTHA KITT, the
singer, who is presently on a tour in London, England.

On October 18, 1960, Miss KITT received a telephone
call from a [redacted] from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,
to the effect that Miss KITT's sister, [redacted] was very ill,
that it was a problem of expenses and that they would have to
admit her into Temple University Hospital. [redacted] is
a female, according to Miss KITT. [redacted] told Miss KITT
that the expenses for the sister had apparently exceeded
\$500.00 and would continue. Miss KITT referred the caller
to [redacted] her New York City accountant.

On October 19, 1960, [redacted] telephoned [redacted]
and gave her address as [redacted]

[redacted] She said that she practiced medicine in Colorado
and was in Philadelphia on vacation. She said that on the
preceding evening the management of the apartments had called
her to treat someone who was very ill. [redacted] told
Miss KITT that this person identified her as [redacted] Miss
KITT's sister, who had taken thirty-six sleeping pills.
[redacted] said that the expenses had already exceeded \$500
and that they were going to admit her to Temple University
Hospital. [redacted] told the caller that he would have to make
arrangements and for her to call him that evening; however,
[redacted] did not receive a call.

BERNSTEIN said he traced the above Locust number
to a public telephone in a Philadelphia library. He
also determined that there is no doctor by the name of
[redacted] practicing in either Colorado or Pennsylvania. He also
determined that Temple University Hospital has no record of

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[redacted] or a patient by the name of [redacted].
He also determined there was no telephone listed for the
above Broad Street address.

BERNSTEIN said he located [redacted] at
[redacted]
but that no one by the name of [redacted] or [redacted]
[redacted] was known there.

BERNSTEIN said he received a cable at 1:30 p.m.,
on October 20, 1960, from Miss KITT as follows:

"HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE PATIENT NOT SISTER STOP WAS REQUESTED
CONFIRMATION OF EXPENSES TO [redacted]
[redacted] STOP WED IS THIS INDIVIDUAL STOP WOULD LIKE FULL
DESCRIPTION OF PATIENT STOP PLEASE REPLY."

BERNSTEIN said he determined that Miss KITT has a
sister by the name of [redacted] who resides at [redacted]
[redacted] BERNSTEIN
telephoned [redacted] who said that she is feeling fine,
has not been ill, and that [redacted] and [redacted] are
unknown to her. She told BERNSTEIN that he and Miss KITT have
a sister by the name of [redacted] who was last known
to be in Philadelphia, but who has not been in contact with
[redacted] or Miss KITT for quite sometime. [redacted]
said that [redacted] has never been known as [redacted]

BERNSTEIN said that he sent a telegram to [redacted]
[redacted] at 5:00 p.m., on
October 20, 1960, suggesting that she call him in order to
make arrangements for payment of [redacted] expenses. BERNSTEIN
said he will attempt to stall the caller until October 21,
1960, in the event she does call.

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BERNSTEIN said he is a law partner of EDWARD SILVER, District Attorney of Kings County, Brooklyn, New York. He said Miss KITT is performing at the "Talk of the Town" in London and is residing at 34 Belgrade Square, SW 1, London, telephone Belgravia 7719. He requested that Miss KITT, in the event she is interviewed, be contacted sometime subsequent to 11:00 a.m., October 21, 1960, London time, in order that he may call her first as she may be upset rather easily.

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At 12:30 a.m., MAHUM A. BERNSTEIN advised that he had just finished a telephone conversation with EARTHA KITT in London. Miss KITT said she suspects that one [redacted] may be involved in this matter, inasmuch as she has caused Miss KITT trouble in the past. Miss KITT said that she has no idea where [redacted] may be located at the present time.

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Miss KITT also advised BERNSTEIN that she received a phone call at about 6:00 p.m. on October 20, 1960, from a [redacted] believed to be a male, who stated that he is a specialist and had been called into the case by [redacted]. He stated that they were taking Miss KITT's sister to Doctor's Hospital in Philadelphia. Miss KITT said the call apparently originated from Philadelphia. BERNSTEIN said it was this [redacted] who told Miss KITT to send money to [redacted] at the [redacted] address in Philadelphia.

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At 11:00 a.m., NAHUM A. BERNSTEIN advised that he had just received a collect phone call from [redacted] who said that she was [redacted] at Doctor's Hospital in Philadelphia. BERNSTEIN said that [redacted] was calling from Locust 3-4370. He said that [redacted] told him that she had received a phone call on October 19, 1960, from a [redacted] who said that EARTHA KITT's sister, [redacted] was unconscious and was being treated by [redacted]. [redacted] said that the sister had apparently taken sleeping tablets. [redacted] said that it was her desire and the desire of Miss KITT's sister to keep this matter confidential and free from publicity. BERNSTEIN said that [redacted] told [redacted] that Miss KITT's sister would have to be admitted to Doctor's Hospital by a doctor practicing out of the hospital, and she, therefore, contacted [redacted]. [redacted] then called Miss KITT on October 19, 1960, and requested her to confirm to [redacted] that she, Miss KITT, would pay the expenses for her sister's medical care.

BERNSTEIN said that according to [redacted], Doctor [redacted] called her again on October 20, 1960, and said that she was bringing the patient to the hospital, however, neither of them arrived.

BERNSTEIN said that [redacted] told him that on October 20, 1960, she received a cablegram from London, dated October 18, 1960, which reflected the following:

"Confirmation payment hospital care and doctor's treatment for patient [redacted]."

The cablegram, according to [redacted], was signed EARTHA KITT.

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On October 25, 1960, [redacted]
Investigator, Division of Professional Conduct, State
Board of Education, 2 West 45th Street, New York City,
advised records of his department fail to reflect that
[redacted] is licensed to practice medicine
in the State of New York.

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Title has been changed to reflect correct spelling of subject's name which was previously shown as [redacted]

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Report of: [redacted] Office: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Date: November 14, 1960
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Title: [redacted]
KARTHA KITT - VICTIM

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY;
FRAUD BY WIRE

Synopsis: Person claiming to be [redacted] placed telephone calls to employees of Doctors Hospital, Philadelphia, and to EARTHA KITT in London, England, claiming that her patient, a sister of EARTHA KITT, had taken an overdose of drugs or sleeping pills and was then in a coma. She requested hospital to admit patient and that no publicity be given to the matter. Also requested instructions from Miss KITT as to what action should be taken concerning patient. No demand made for money by caller. Doctors Hospital placed long-distance call to Miss KITT in London and advised her of [redacted] call and Miss KITT agreed to pay hospital and doctor's expenses and sent Western Union wire to hospital confirming that she would pay. Patient did not show up at hospital. Subject admitted making calls to Miss KITT in England and to Doctors Hospital but claims she does not recall using name [redacted] and does not recall details of conversation. Denied she had made any demands for money or that she expected to receive money as a result of these calls. Claims does not know why she made calls. Prosecution declined.

Details: At Philadelphia, Pa.

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The Bureau by communication dated October 22, 1960, advised that a confidential source abroad had furnished the following information:

Miss EARTHA KITT on October 21, 1960, advised that at 9:30 p.m. on October 18, 1960, she received a long-distance call in London, England, from [redacted] of Philadelphia. [redacted] said she happened to be nearby when an unconscious woman was found who had taken 36 sleeping tablets and a narcotic. When conscious, this woman said she was the sister of EARTHA KITT.

The person claiming to be [redacted] said she was from New York and did not know what to do as the unconscious woman had no identification. [redacted] inquired as to what Miss KITT wanted done. Miss KITT gave the caller the telephone number of her accountant, Mr. [redacted] in New York with instructions to call [redacted]. Miss KITT thereafter telephoned [redacted] in New York and related the above information to him. She also instructed [redacted] to try to locate one of her sisters, [redacted]

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On the evening of October 19, 1960, Miss KITT received another telephone call in London from a person identifying himself as [redacted] from Philadelphia who said he had been called in on the case and that Miss KITT's sister was still in coma. [redacted] said he desired to put her sister in Doctors Hospital but would not do so until Miss KITT agreed to assume this responsibility. Miss KITT, as instructed by [redacted] sent a telegram to [redacted] confirming payment for patient [redacted] for doctor's care and hospital treatment. [redacted] was the name [redacted] had mentioned to Miss KITT.

On the same evening, Miss KITT also received a collect call from [redacted] repeating the story which

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[redacted] had previously given to Miss KITT. Miss KITT at this time told the person claiming to be [redacted] about the wire sent to [redacted] and requested [redacted] to call [redacted] in New York.

Miss KITT said she had learned through her representatives in New York City that her sister [redacted] had been contacted and was all right. She also said she had another sister, [redacted] who resided in Philadelphia, however, she has not heard from her in several years and does not know her last name. Miss KITT did not recall any mention of \$500 in her conversation with [redacted].

A search of the Philadelphia telephone directory on October 21, 1960, failed to reflect any listing for [redacted] or [redacted]. Investigation at [redacted] on the same date failed to locate anyone by the name of [redacted].

Investigation at 1509 North Broad Street on October 21, 1960, reflected that there is a gas station covering the address 1501 to 1519 North Broad Street. [redacted] was not known at this place. It was also noted that the [redacted] are located at [redacted] and not at 1509 North Broad Street.

[redacted] Philadelphia County Medical Society, 20th and Spruce Streets, advised on October 21, 1960, that records of that office fail to reflect that [redacted] is licensed to practice in the State of Pennsylvania. Various medical directories available to [redacted] were searched and no reference to [redacted] was located.

[redacted] to the Administrator, Temple University Hospital, on October 21, 1960, advised that hospital records failed to reflect any patient by the name of [redacted] or any doctor by the name of [redacted].

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After checking with various hospital personnel, she advised that no inquiry had been received at the hospital concerning a sister of MARTHA KITT and that no patient had recently been admitted for treatment for taking an overdose of sleeping pills.

Superintendent, [redacted] Secretary, and [redacted]
[redacted] on October 21, 1960, advised that they could furnish no pertinent information concerning this matter.

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[redacted] was interviewed in her apartment at [redacted]

The facts regarding the telephone call received by her sister, EARTHA KITT, in London were explained to [redacted]. She advised that she had spoken with HANCO A. BERNSTEIN, attorney for her sister, EARTHA, on October 20, 1960, and was familiar with the fact that her sister had received a telephone call requesting money or hospital expenses for her. She stated that she had not been ill, was not in need of any money for hospital expenses and had never heard of the name [redacted] or [redacted].

[redacted] advised that she had been in Philadelphia on Saturday, October 15, 1960, during which time she attended a dance given by her foster sister, [redacted]. She did not know the address of the dance other than that it was given at a Masonic Temple. While there she was introduced by her brother-in-law, [redacted] to a friend of his, whose name she does not remember, as the sister of EARTHA KITT. She stated she doubted that this man understood the introduction because he was intoxicated. Other than this, there was no occasion when she was introduced as EARTHA KITT's sister nor did she tell anyone that she was EARTHA KITT's sister. She was unable to provide any information regarding the telephone call to her sister and stated that she did not have any suspects.

[redacted] advised that she has a half-sister, [redacted] and who is married. Her maiden name was [redacted] but she does not know her married name although she remembered that her husband's first name was [redacted]. She has not seen [redacted] since 1953 at which time she had one child and was expecting another. She was then living in Philadelphia.

[redacted] stated that her father and mother are both deceased and that she was reared by [redacted] near North, South Carolina, as was her sister, EARTHA. [redacted] was raised by her stepsister who lived in the same place.

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[redacted] Switchboard Operator, Doctors Hospital, 17th and Sumner Streets, advised that she was on duty at the hospital on Tuesday night, October 18, 1960, when she received a telephone call during the early evening hours from some woman who identified herself as [redacted]. [redacted] said she was calling because of a dire emergency involving a patient who was a relative of a celebrity. This patient, she stated, had taken 36 sleeping tablets and was in a coma and because of her relationship to this celebrity, the matter must be given no publicity. She then said her purpose in calling was to determine if the patient could be admitted to the hospital. When asked the name of the patient, [redacted] said that she did not desire to furnish the correct name and that in order to avoid any publicity she wanted her admitted under the fictitious name of [redacted] referred the caller to the Head Nurse, [redacted].

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[redacted] then talked to the caller and told DR. [redacted] that since she, the doctor, was not on the staff at the hospital, it would be necessary to have one of the staff doctors authorize admittance of the patient. [redacted] then spoke to one of the doctors on the floor who was on the staff and he instructed that [redacted] be told that the patient could not be admitted. [redacted] then furnished [redacted] with the telephone number, Poplar 9-9331, and asked her to call [redacted] back at this number and give her the message. [redacted] called this number and someone, whom [redacted] believes was a young girl, answered, stating that this was a pay telephone located at Columbia Avenue and Franklin Street. This young girl did not know any [redacted].

[redacted] had no further conversation with DR. [redacted] however, on October 19, 1960, [redacted] the [redacted] at the hospital, gave [redacted] a slip of paper with the name [redacted] written on it, stated that [redacted] was sending in a patient by that name and that upon her arrival she was to be sent to Room 230. The patient never showed up.

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[redacted] said that the names BERNSTEIN and [redacted] or some similar name also came up in the conversation concerning this matter, and it was her recollection that DR. [redacted] when first calling her at the hospital, told her that not only visitors to be permitted to see the patient would be these two individuals. She also recalled that [redacted] told her she was from Denver, Colo.

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[redacted] Doctors Hospital, 17th and Summer Streets, advised that at around noon time, Wednesday, October 19, 1960, the [redacted] at the hospital reported to her that [redacted] the Head Nurse, had received a telephone call the previous evening from a [redacted] who stated she had a patient who had taken an overdose of sleeping pills and was unconscious. She said [redacted] desired that the patient be admitted to the hospital; however, after consulting with [redacted] one of the staff physicians, [redacted] called [redacted] and told her they could not take the patient. On October 19, 1960, [redacted] again called the hospital around noon time and talked to [redacted] and was very insistent that they admit the patient. [redacted] referred the matter to Dr. [redacted] then talked to [redacted] and learned that the patient, according to [redacted], was a sister of EARTH KITT's and that she had taken an overdose of sleeping pills and had been in a coma for two days and that Dr. [redacted] desired to have her admitted to a private hospital in order to insure that no publicity would be given the matter. After talking to [redacted] then called London, England, at a number which had been furnished [redacted] by [redacted] and spoke to MISS KITT who promised that she would pay the doctors' and hospital's bill. [redacted] was then recontacted by telephone at telephone number Locust 7-8409, which number had previously been furnished by [redacted] and was told that MISS KITT would pay the bill and the patient should be admitted at once. The patient, however, did not arrive.

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On the afternoon of October 19, 1960, a Western Union telegram, addressed to [redacted] Doctors Hospital, signed by EARTH KITT, was received. This telegram states "Confirm payment hospital care and doctors treatment for patient [redacted]" who made this telegram available to SA [redacted] advised that the name [redacted] had been given to [redacted] for someone at the hospital by [redacted]

[redacted] said notations in her possession, which had been made by [redacted] and others at the hospital,

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reflect that [] had furnished to the hospital the telephone number and address of MISS KITT in London, England. The address was indicated as 34 Belgrade Square, telephone Belgravia 7719 and Night Bridge 0498. She said [] had also learned that the telephone number which [] had furnished for herself, Locust 7-8409, was a pay telephone located in the Free Library Building. She said [] had not made any request for money for her services, nor had she indicated that a bill would be sent to the hospital or anyone else for her services.

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[redacted] advised that on Wednesday, October 19, 1960, while at Doctors Hospital, 17th and Summer Streets, [redacted] the [redacted] at the hospital, told him she had received a call from a [redacted] concerning a patient who was in a coma and who had taken an overdose of drugs. [redacted] said DR. [redacted] said the patient was a sister of EARTHA KITT's and that she desired to have her admitted to the hospital.

[redacted] then made a telephone call to a number which [redacted] had furnished him and talked to some woman who said she was [redacted] [redacted] said the patient, a sister of EARTHA KITT's, had taken an overdose of drugs and had been in a coma for two days and that MISS KITT desired her to get her into a private hospital for treatment. DR. [redacted] asked [redacted] what she had given the patient and [redacted] said she had given her apomorphine and salicylates. [redacted] told [redacted] that he would accept the patient and that she should be admitted to the hospital at once. He also told [redacted] that they would contact EARTHA KITT to get confirmation that she would pay the bill. [redacted] had previously given [redacted] two numbers in London at which MISS KITT could be contacted.

Following the conversation with [redacted] called MISS KITT in London and, after explaining the matter to her, MISS KITT said the hospital would be paid and that she would send a wire confirming this. A Western Union wire was subsequently sent by MISS KITT confirming that she would pay the bill.

After speaking to MISS KITT, [redacted] asked [redacted] to contact [redacted] and advise her that MISS KITT had confirmed that payment would be made. [redacted] then called [redacted] at the telephone number furnished and gave this information to her. When the patient did not show up at the hospital, [redacted] had this number checked and found it to be a public telephone located at the Free Library of Philadelphia.

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[] said all of this action took place between 2:15 p.m. and about 2:50 to 3:00 p.m. on October 18, 1960.

[] said the person claiming to be [] did not impress him as being a medical doctor since she did not use the medical terms a doctor would normally use in speaking to another doctor. He also said that the drugs which [] said she had given to the patient was not the type of drug which should be given to a person in a coma. He also said that from his conversation with [] he had concluded that she was a Negro and gathered this conclusion from the manner of speech.

[] said there had been no conversation with [] concerning any expenses incurred by [] nor was there any conversation about money which [] expected to receive. She made no demands for money or payment of any sort.

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On October 24, 1960, [redacted] Free Library of Philadelphia, 20th and Vine Streets, advised that he came on duty at the library at about 1:30 p.m. on both Monday and Tuesday, October 17 and 18, 1960. He recalled that on one of these days, the exact one which he could not recall, he relieved the elevator operator at about 2:15 p.m. and on his first trip to the ground floor in the elevator shortly after coming on duty, he observed a Negro girl in a pay telephone booth located directly in front of the elevator. [redacted] pointed out two telephone booths at this location and said this girl was in the booth which had telephone number Locust 7-8409. The same girl was seen by him on all subsequent trips to the ground floor for the next 45 minutes to one hour. No one else was with her and she appeared to be alone.

[redacted] said when he first saw this girl in the elevator he immediately recognized her as the same person he had seen in the library on several previous occasions during the past three or four months and recalled that she at one time had complained to him that she had put money in the telephone and had not been able to get it back when her call was not completed. She, at one time on a previous occasion, also asked [redacted] for money, stating she needed it to make a telephone call. He said he had also seen her in the Newspaper Section and the Children's Section of the library and recalled that she had borrowed money from employees in those sections.

This girl was described by [redacted] as follows:

Race:	Negro
Sex:	Female
Age:	About 25 years
Height:	5'5"
Weight:	125 pounds
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Medium brown

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Arrangements were made to have [redacted] immediately contact SA [redacted] in the event this girl was seen by him again.

On October 25, 1960, [redacted] in the presence of [redacted] stated she was the same person whom he had seen in the library on several previous occasions. He said this was the same person whom he had seen in the telephone booth, having telephone number Locust 7-8409, located on the ground floor of the library at about 2:15 p.m. on October 17 or 18, 1960. He also at this time told [redacted] that he specifically recalled that she stayed in this booth for a period from 45 minutes to an hour. [redacted] said there was no question in his mind but that this was the same girl.

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[redacted]
an elevator operator at the Free Library of Philadelphia, 20th and Vine Streets, recalled that he observed a Negro girl in one of the two pay telephone booths located in front of the elevators on the ground floor of the Library on October 18, 1960. He said he did not see this girl when she left the booth, but did recall that she was in there for 45 minutes to an hour, sometime between 12:30 and 2:00 p.m. He pointed out this booth, stating the number of the telephone was Locust 7-8409. [redacted] said he paid very little attention to this girl, who appeared to be alone; however, he did observe that she appeared to be about 25 years of age, had a medium brown complexion and was wearing glasses. He also recalled that these were hornrimmed glasses and that one of the shafts had been broken and was wrapped with adhesive tape.

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[redacted] Library Assistant, [redacted] Department, Free Library of Philadelphia, 20th and Vine Streets, vaguely recalled a Negro girl coming into that department about two months previously and speaking to [redacted]. This girl told [redacted] she had to make an urgent telephone call and had no money. [redacted] gave her money with which to make a call.

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[redacted] said she had seen this same girl on one previous occasion, which was a few days before she borrowed the money from [redacted]. She recalled that she was a Negro girl about 25 years of age with a medium brown complexion and was wearing glasses.

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[redacted] Library Assistant, [redacted] Department, Free Library of Philadelphia, 20th and Vine Streets, said he recalled a brown skinned Negro girl who had been coming to the library for the past three or four months and who has borrowed or attempted to borrow money from several library employees. On one occasion this girl told him that she had lost her wallet and borrowed a quarter from him to make a telephone call. About two months ago he saw the same girl in the library with some film which she had obtained at the library and she at this time told him that she was working on a project for Temple University. He said she also told him she lived in the Tiara section of Philadelphia. Approximately a month ago [redacted] saw the same girl on a trolley on Columbia Avenue near 8th Street. He did not speak to her at this time.

[redacted] described this girl as follows:

Sex:	Female
Race:	Negro
Age:	25 years
Height:	5'5"
Weight:	125 to 130 pounds
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Medium brown
Characteristics:	Wore hornrimmed glasses which had been mended with adhesive tape.
Dress:	Medium well dressed.

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[redacted] Library Assistant, [redacted] Department, Free Library of Philadelphia, 20th and Vine Streets, advised that about two months ago a young Negro girl, about 25 years of age with a medium brown complexion and rather poorly dressed, came into the library and, while at the library, told him she was having some trouble with the film machine and asked him to assist her. After assisting this girl in loading the film into the machine, this girl told [redacted] that she had lost her wallet and had not eaten anything during the day.

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[redacted] said he never learned the name or address of this girl, but he did recall that she wore glasses and that one of the ear pieces apparently had been broken as it was wrapped with adhesive tape. He also recalled that she had mentioned Tioga to him and that he believed she resided in the Tioga section of Philadelphia. [redacted] said he had seen this same girl on the first floor of the library about two weeks previously and at that time she was well dressed. She was alone on both of these occasions.

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Investigation in the vicinity of Columbia Avenue and Franklin Street disclosed that there is a public pay telephone booth on Columbia Avenue, just east of Franklin Street adjacent to a drug store, having the telephone number Poplar 9-9331. Inside this drug store are located three pay telephones bearing the numbers Poplar 9-9581, Poplar 9-9805 and Poplar 9-9571.

Investigation at the Free Library of Philadelphia, 20th and Vine Streets, on the same date disclosed that there are two pay telephones located on the east side of the building on the ground floor directly in front of the elevators. One of these telephones, it was observed, bears number 7-8400.

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[redacted] a clerk at Mogelifsky's Pharmacy, Franklin Street and Columbia Avenue, on October 24, 1960, advised that on Tuesday night, October 18, 1960, upon returning to the drug store at about 6:30 to 7:00 p.m., she observed a Negro girl in one of the three telephone booths in the store. This girl remained in the booth which has telephone number Poplar 9-9581, for about 45 minutes to an hour and, upon leaving, asked [redacted] if she would do her a favor. This girl then explained that she was expecting an overseas telephone call, but was unable to wait for it any longer. She then asked [redacted] in the event the operator called, to tell the operator that she could not wait any longer and also to tell the party in London that they had found a private hospital for the patient. [redacted] told this girl she would probably not be able to convey the message to the party in London as the operator would not leave the telephone line open for that purpose.

During the conversation this Negro girl told [redacted] that the patient had attempted to commit suicide. She also said that the patient was related to the party in London and that this party in London was in the entertainment field and, for this reason, did not want the newspapers to learn of the attempted suicide for fear it might hurt him.

[redacted] said the girl referred to was alone and that she had never seen her previously. Because of the length of time this girl was in the drug store and because of the peculiar way she wore her glasses, down low on the nose, [redacted] said she was positive she would be able to recognize her. She described the girl as follows:

Sex:	Female
Race:	Negro
Age:	23 to 25 years
Height:	5'4" to 5'5"
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Medium brown
Hair:	Black, wiry, medium long.

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Eyes:

Color not noticed, but wore horn-rimmed glasses which appeared not to fit and which were worn low on the nose. One arm of glasses appeared to be broken and was bound with adhesive tape.

Dress:

Believed to have been wearing a dark colored jacket and a skirt.

Speech:

Was peculiar in that it appeared to be that of someone from the South or a Negro attempting to speak with a British accent.

[redacted] searched prescription records from October 15 to October 24, 1960, but could locate no record of any prescription for anyone by the name of [redacted] or [redacted]. She said she had heard of no one in the recent past who has attempted to commit suicide by taking an overdose of drugs or sleeping pills.

On October 25, 1960, [redacted] was taken to the drug store where [redacted] is employed. [redacted] entered the drug store with Agent [redacted] and both went to the cigarette counter where Agent [redacted] purchased a pack of cigarettes. There were two persons behind the counter at this time, one of whom was [redacted] who is about 5'2" tall and has light brown hair. The other clerk was an older woman with a dark complexion and black hair. After [redacted] and Agent [redacted] left the drug store, [redacted] was contacted and advised that the girl who had accompanied Agent [redacted] into the drug store was the same girl with whom she had had the conversation about the telephone call to London, as set forth above. She said there was no doubt in her mind about this identification.

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On October 25, 1960, [redacted] Librarian,
Fres Library of Philadelphia, telephonically advised this
office that SA [redacted] had previously made
inquiry at the library concerning a Negro woman. He
stated this woman was in the library at that time.

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[redacted] a guard at the Free Library of Philadelphia, pointed out to SA [redacted] a girl who, he said was the same girl he had seen in the library on several previous occasions. He said this was the girl who, on October 18, 1960, was observed by him in one of the pay telephone booths in the library for a period of 45 minutes to an hour.

SA [redacted] questioned this girl and she advised that her name was [redacted] and that she resides in [redacted]

[redacted] After being advised that she did not have to make any statement, that anything she said could be used against her in a court of law and that she was entitled to counsel, [redacted] said she had come to the library in order to attend a lecture and that she had been in the library on only two previous occasions. She said she had never made a telephone call to anyone in London, England, nor had she ever made a telephone call to Doctors Hospital and, in fact, did not know where it was located. [redacted] was asked if she carried a list of telephone numbers in her purse. She said she might have some; however, she refused the Agent to examine the contents of her purse. She was then asked if she would accompany SA [redacted] to the FBI Office for further questioning and she agreed to do so. She stated, however, that she would answer no further questions until after she had contacted her attorney.

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[redacted] was thereafter transported to the Philadelphia Office in a Bureau car and, immediately upon arrival, she called her attorney, [redacted] 705 Commercial Trust Building. [redacted] arrived at the office shortly thereafter and, after conferring with [redacted] was again questioned as to her whereabouts on October 18 and 19, 1960. She said she specifically recalled that she was in church on both of these days from about 10:30 a.m. until midnight. She is a member of the Pentecostal Church at [redacted] and on Tuesday, October 18, 1960, she was in church from the beginning of the 10:30 service

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until about noon. She then remained in the church in meditation and prayer from noon until the afternoon service, beginning at about 2:00 p.m. This service lasted until 4:00 p.m. and she then remained in church, again in meditation and prayer, until choir rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. After choir rehearsal she attended the evening services, remaining in the church until about midnight. She never left the church during this period, not even to eat, as she had carried lunch with her in her purse.

[redacted] claimed she followed the same procedure on October 19, 1960, and that [redacted] or [redacted] would be able to confirm her presence in the church during these periods.

[redacted] said she is an Evangelist in the Pentecostal Church and also works part time for [redacted] in Philadelphia. She then recalled that she had been in [redacted] on Wednesday, October 18, 1960, at about 3:00 p.m. to pick up her pay check. She then went to the office of her attorney, [redacted], and remained until about 4:30 p.m. She and [redacted] then left the office together and both took a bus north on 22nd Street. [redacted] got off at Venango Street, and [redacted] continued on to church and remained in church until about midnight.

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When questioned as to her visits to the Free Library of Philadelphia, [redacted] said she had been there on only two occasions prior to October 25, 1960. The first time was about two or three months ago when she applied for a job. On this occasion she lost her wallet and borrowed a quarter from one of the library assistants in order to get carfare home. She next returned to the library about two weeks later to repay this quarter, but she was unable to find the person from whom she had borrowed it. She denied that she had ever used a pay telephone at the library or that she had ever been in the vicinity of Franklin Street and Columbia Avenue. She claimed she did not know where Franklin Street was located, and when told it was on the east side of Broad Street near 5th Street, she said she never had gone into that vicinity.

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[] said that upon advice of counsel she would permit examination of the contents of her purse. The contents of the purse were examined; however, none of the names or telephone numbers pertinent to instant investigation were noted therein. The purse did contain various bits of paper bearing names and telephone numbers as follows:



[] was asked if she had used the name [] in telephone conversations with anyone in London, England, or at the Doctors Hospital or in New York City. She denied that she had done so. She said she had never talked to EARTHA KITT in London, England; that she did not know that MISS KITT had a sister in Philadelphia; and she knew of no one who had taken any sleeping pills. She was told that telephone calls had been made to MISS KITT in London, England, and to the Doctors Hospital in Philadelphia from pay telephones located in the Free Library and in a drug store at Franklin and Columbia Avenue from a person claiming to be DR. [] and that she had been identified as being in these telephone booths at the time such calls were made. She continued to deny making the calls and said she would be willing to face these witnesses to prove her innocence.

[] was then transported in a Bureau car to Franklin Street and Columbia Avenue where she entered the drug store at that address with SA []. There were two women behind the counter in the store, one of whom was [], who is approximately 5'2" in height, has a light complexion and light brown hair. The other woman behind the counter was older, had a dark complexion and black hair. SA [] purchased a pack of cigarettes and then he and [] left. After leaving the store, [] again said she had never been in the store, but did admit at this

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time that she has a boy friend, [redacted] who is an [redacted] and lives at [redacted].

[redacted] was then taken in a Bureau car to the Free Library and en route to the Library, while they were passing [redacted] was asked if she knew anyone at this apartment or if she had ever claimed to be [redacted] and had told someone that anyone staying at [redacted] had taken an overdose of sleeping pills. She said she had not; however, she recalled that she formerly attended a church on [redacted] about a block from [redacted] and that she was familiar with it. She also at this time said she had formerly attended Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., where she majored in chemistry and later attended Columbia University in New York City. While in Columbia she had met a boy whose first name was [redacted]. When asked if she had ever claimed to be from Denver, Colo., she said she had not; however, she recalled that while a student in New York City she had met a medical student, whose name she could not recall, who was from Denver.

As they were approaching the Free Library, [redacted] noted a large sign with the name Doctors Hospital at 17th and Vine Streets about two blocks from the library. She said she had not previously noticed this sign and did not know the hospital was located near the library. [redacted] at this time also said she had formerly worked as a laboratory assistant at the Hahnemann Hospital. She denied that she had ever attempted to have anyone enter the Temple University Hospital as a patient, but said that she herself currently visits the eye clinic at that hospital.

Upon arrival at the library, [redacted] was brought before [redacted] a library guard, at which time [redacted] in the presence of [redacted] stated she was the same person he had seen in the library on several previous occasions. He also said he had seen her at about 2:15 p.m. on either October 17 or 18, 1960, in a telephone booth located directly in front of the elevators on the ground floor and that she had remained in the booth for a period of 45 minutes to an hour. When [redacted] denied that this was so or that she

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had been in the library on either of those dates, [] commented that he had seen her several times in the library and that there was no doubt in his mind but that she was the same person he was referring to.

[] during further interview, admitted that she knew about a telephone call made to EARTHA KITT in London, England, but claimed she did not make it. She said that years ago she met a girl by the name of [] a dancer from Puerto Rico who formerly lived in New York City. On Tuesday, October 18, 1960 [] left church at about 6:00 p.m. and went to a nearby restaurant at 19th Street and Columbia Avenue. Upon leaving this restaurant, she observed [] standing across the street in front of a laundromat. [] crossed the street and, in conversation with [] told her she had been dancing with a troupe in Chicago and had been in Philadelphia for a few days, staying on Christian Street in West Philadelphia. [] then suddenly commented that she was leaving that night by plane for New York City where she had an engagement, but she had something she had to do before she left, and asked [] if she wanted to go with her, stating it would take only a few minutes. They both then took a trolley and rode to Columbia Avenue and Franklin Street where they got off. [] at this time told her that she wanted to play a joke on EARTHA KITT. [] said [] had formerly danced with MISS KITT and knew her quite well. [] then explained that EARTHA had a sister whom she hated who lives in Philadelphia, and [] wanted to call EARTHA and tell her that this sister was critically ill. Upon entering the drug store, [] asked [] to place the call to MISS KITT for her and gave her the number of the operator she should ask for, and told her that when she got this operator, she should ask for the call they were holding for some woman. [] said she could not recall the name of this woman; however, it was an Irish name. [] said she did place this call from the pay telephone located inside the drug store and that the call went through White Plains, N. Y., as she distinctly recalls the operator stating this was the overseas operator in White Plains. [] said she did not give any number in London,

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but merely asked the operator in White Plains to connect her with the call she was holding for this Irish woman. As soon as the connection was made, [redacted] handed the telephone to [redacted] and left. She walked to the home of her boy friend, [redacted] was not home and she returned to the drug store to find that [redacted] had gone. [redacted] said this occurred on October 18, 1960, between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. When reminded that she had previously said that she was in church at this time, [redacted] said that when previously questioned, she had forgotten that she had been absent from church from about 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on that date.

[redacted] said [redacted] is a Puerto Rican about 25 years of age, 5'4", 125 pounds, with a medium brown complexion, dark brown hair and wears glasses, and looks a great deal like [redacted]. She said she does not know how [redacted] could be located and the only persons whom she knows to know her would be MISS KITT; [redacted] who has an arts degree from Columbia and who in 1959 lived at [redacted] [redacted] who lived at the YNCA. [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted] said she did not know MISS KITT had a sister in Philadelphia and she did not know why she permitted [redacted] to use her in this fashion.

When questioned as to the telephone calls made to Doctors Hospital or to anyone in New York City, [redacted] said she knew nothing about these calls.

[redacted] was then driven in a Bureau car to the vicinity of her home and at this time she said she had made telephone calls to someone at Doctors Hospital and also to someone in New York City on October 18 or 19, 1960. She claimed, however, she does not recall what was said, nor does she know to whom she talked. She said she had no recollection of using the name [redacted]. She also at this time said that the information furnished about [redacted] was a fabrication and admitted that she was alone in the drug store at Franklin and Columbia Avenue on the evening of October 18, 1960, and had attempted to call MISS KITT from that address.

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She also said she recognized the smaller of the two women whom she had seen earlier that day in the drug store with SA [redacted] as the woman who was on duty that night. When asked which of the two women was on duty, she said it was the smaller one with the light brown hair. [redacted] said she recalls making a telephone call to MISS KITT in London; however, she said she does not know from where the call was made, nor does she recall how she knew MISS KITT was in London. She said she assumed that she merely asked the operator to get MISS KITT and supposed she told the operator that she could locate her through a booking agency. She said she does recall telling MISS KITT that her sister was ill in Philadelphia, but does not recall details of further conversation.

[redacted] said she does not know the reason for making the call to MISS KITT and is certain she never demanded or expected to receive any money from her. When asked if it was possible that she had called MISS KITT on a dare, [redacted] said one might call it that. She then said that she had met a boy by the name of [redacted] on the street. When she told [redacted] that her name was [redacted], he laughed, stating he supposed it was EARTHA KITT. She told him it was not, but that EARTHA was a friend of hers and to prove it she would call her. [redacted] then went with her while she made this call to MISS KITT in London and was permitted to listen in on part of the conversation. [redacted] could furnish no information as to the identity of [redacted] and said he was just a young boy she met on the street near the church.

The following description of [redacted] was obtained:

Name:	[redacted]
Race:	Negro
Sex:	Female
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	St. Louis, Mo.
Height:	5'4"
Weight:	125 pounds
Complexion:	Medium brown
Hair:	Dark brown, stringy
Eyes:	Brown; wears hornrimmed glasses.

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Residence Address:

Relatives:

Employment:

[Redacted]
Mother - [Redacted]

Sister - [Redacted]
[Redacted]

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BERNSTEIN HAS WIRED ABOVE MENTIONED [REDACTED] SUGGESTING SHE CALL
TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR PAYMENT OF [REDACTED]

EXPENSES IF [REDACTED] CALLS, BERNSTEIN WILL STALL HER. LEGAT LONDON
WILL INTERVIEW KITT, PERFORMING AT QUOTE TALK OF THE TOWN
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